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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Submission for Review: We Need Important Information About Your Eligibility for Social Security Disability Benefits, RI 98-7

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: 60-Day Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management (OPM) offers the general public and other Federal agencies the opportunity to comment on an extension, without change, of a currently approved information collection request (ICR) 3206-0216, We Need Important Information About Your Eligibility for Social Security Disability Benefits, RI 98-7. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (Pub. Law 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35) as amended by the Clinger-Cohen Act (Pub. L. 104-106), OPM is soliciting comments for this collection. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of OPM, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- 2. Evaluate the accuracy of OPM's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- 3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other

technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.1.

ADDRESS: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Retirement Services, Union Square 370, 1900 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20415-3500, Attention: Alberta Butler or sent via electronic mail to <u>Alberta.Butler@opm.gov</u>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Retirement Services Publications Team, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 4445, Washington, DC 20415, Attention: Cyrus S. Benson, or sent via electronic mail to Cyrus.Benson@opm.gov or faxed to (202) 606-0910.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: RI 98-7 is used by OPM to verify receipt of Social Security Administration (SSA) disability benefits, to lessen or avoid overpayment to Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS) disability retirees. It notifies the annuitant of the responsibility to notify OPM if SSA benefits begin and the overpayment that will occur with the receipt of both benefits.

ANALYSIS:

Agency: Retirement Operations, Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management

Title: We Need Important Information About Your Eligibility for Social Security Disability

Benefits

OMB Number: 3206-0216

Frequency: On occasion

Affected Public: Individuals or Households

Number of Respondents: 4,300

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 5 minutes

Total Burden Hours: 358

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

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